

Kentucky Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission
Filson Historical Society, Louisville
April 21, 2004, 1 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Present: Dolores Delahanty, Jim Holmberg, Senator David Karem, Kim Smith, and Kate Hesseldenz

We had no quorum, so we did not approve the minutes from January's meeting.

Budget:

There was no budget approved, but David Karem said there may be a special session. He also said that \$50,000 is not asking for much. If they do call special session, Katie Stine can try to do something. If there is no budget, Gov. Fletcher could put money in a spending plan. David Karem suggested that we ask Katie Stine to help us. Jim H. will email Katie Stine and set up a meeting with her. David Karem also noted that if Fletcher has a spending plan, they may say we can't add anything to it. In response, we should say that it is a necessary government expense. Paul Patton used necessary govt expenses to fund the Governor's Scholar Program. Since the commission was created by the govt., we can say that funding the Commission is a necessary govt expense.

Grant from National Park Service:

Jim H. said we got the grant from the National Park Service for \$10,000 to fund a Map Brochure.

Museum and History Day:

The Commission had a booth. Kate reported on the event, but said she didn't know how many legislators made it by the Commission's booth. Jim Mallory will make a report on how many legislators came by.

Logo Pins/ Cancellation Project:

The numbered logo pins are gone, but we still have the regular ones to sell. The post office contacted Jim H. about doing another cancellation project in 2006.

Commission Replacements:

Jim Holmberg will contact the Commerce Cabinet, Jim Host, about one replacement and he will contact the Education Cabinet, Virginia Fox, about the other one.

Projects for 2006:

Jim H. asked Kate to send an email to commission members asking them to think of possible projects for the return of Lewis and Clark in 2006. Kim said that we could build up the tourism aspect and look for support through the Commerce Cabinet. Kim asked for a list of projects for 2006. Kim and Kate will brainstorm some ideas. Kim said that the Lincoln Commission will be gearing up, so we need to think about getting the fundraising done for Lewis and Clark and that means we need to have some firm project plans. Jim

H. said that in November-December 2006 is the time for some kind of celebration, this is the return of Lewis and Clark to Kentucky. Jim said that they left St. Louis in late October and then they were in Vincennes, Indiana. We know they are in Louisville on Nov.5, but we aren't sure how they came from Vincennes to Louisville. David Kareem said we could try to get a big hook for 2006 and it could be, solve the mystery. Did they go through Henderson from Vincennes, or did they go another way? Uncover the route. Following the trail from Vincennes toward Clarksville, we could get the Indiana Commission involved, and then from Henderson to Louisville, the Kentucky Commission could be involved. Jim H said that the return trip could involve the interior parts of Kentucky: Louisville, Frankfort, Lexington, and the Cumberland Gap area. Dolores said we should have another community meeting of the affected communities and plan for the future. Kim mentioned that we were going to give grants to communities planning events. Kim also said that we will probably get \$5000 from the KHS Foundation.

Toyota Support:

Jim H. said that Toyota is celebrating 150 years with America and he thought that would be a good opportunity for funding. David Kareem said that Toyota has a grants committee and that the Louisville Science Center applied for and got a grant from Toyota. David Kareem thought they might be interested in us and he suggested calling Gail Becker at the Science Center to find out how it worked for them. The Science Center had a middle school initiative and education is a big thing with Toyota.

Next Meeting: Jim suggested that we meet Quarterly, so our next meeting will be sometime in July.